IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the U.S. Application of:

Joseph C. KAWAN, et al

Serial No.: 09/313,297

Filed: May 17, 1999

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATED

ELECTRONIC SCRIP TRANSACTIONS



Group Art Unit: 2761

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the outstanding Notice to Filing Missing Parts of Application dated June 16, 1999, in the above-identified application, a shortened statutory period for response to the Notice expired on August 16, 1999. Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of the period for response so that such period will end on November 16, 1999. The applicable fee of \$870.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is submitted with the Response to the Notice which is being filed with this Petition.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 11-0855. A duplicate copy of this correspondence is enclosed for that purpose.

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Respectfully submitted,